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"When Spring Returns"

When spring returns across the empty hollows
And blows its breath among Kentucky hills,
I'll find you here among the loamy shallows,
Among sweet-throated daffodils.
I shall see you in the wild white trillium
A-growing by a mountain river stone;
I shall see you reflected in that stream
And seeing you I shall not be alone.

---Jesse Stuart

HIGH MUSIC RATING WON BY FIVE

Five K.S.B. students participated in the State Music Festival on February 10 at the University of Louisville.

Mary Hollon received an Excellent rating on the violin. Tim Jones and Russell Mullins were rated Excellent on the clarinet. Barbara Martin and Karen Stacy received Superior ratings on the violin.

These students are taught by Mrs. Nolen, Mrs. Savot and Mr. Pillion.

FROM MUSIC LOVERS EVERYWHERE

Donald Young, a senior journalism student, recently conducted a survey to determine the musical preferences of K.S.B.'s staff and students. After questioning ninety-two people on campus, Young discovered that rock-and-roll music is Number One in the hearts of K.S.B. music lovers. Forty-two responses named rock-and-roll as their first choice. Country music followed as the favorite of 22. Easy listening was the choice of 13; classical music

was named by nine. Religious or gospel music was the favorite of three and one chose jazz.

Students overwhelmingly selected rock-and-roll over country by thirty to eighteen margin. The staff narrowly chose easy listening over rock-and-roll by 13-12 margin. Classical, country, religious and jazz followed in order.

One fact was obvious--K.S.B. people dig good music and have very strong preferences.

Keep on listening, gang!

"I LOVE TO READ" DAY

K.S.B. students observed "I Love to Read" Day on February 14 as a part of the state-wide observation sponsored by the Right to Read Foundation. Students chose to read silently or in groups, by talking book or cassette or teachers selected favorite stories for their classes. The entire school enjoyed the Valentine's Day celebration of reading.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Keith Blair

David Greer

Billy Hackworth

Dawn Hardman

Donald Stivers

Jerry Persun

Michael Shannon

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Michael McCarty

Jeffery Niles

Alvin Sears

Kevin Cobb

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Mark Bean Kim Holmes

Doug Campbell Russell Mullins

Barbara Collier Clyde Coulter

Stephen Davis Kevin Webb

Ricky Wells Jeff Wheatley

"VERY TIRED"

Contributed by Mr. W.P. Young

First God created the world and rested.
Then He made man and rested. Next God
created woman and neither God nor man has
rested since.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Ronny Wheatley

Ronny Wheatley, an eighteen-year-old senior, is anxiously awaiting the day when he graduates from K.S.B. This is his sixth year and he is in a fifth year program as a senior. He attends Jefferson Community College part-time this year. At JCC which is located in downtown Louisville, he took general music during the first semester and is taking freshman English Composition now.

Ronny is a unique kind of guy because he is one of nine Wheatley children. Jerry was a senior in 1975, Jeff is now in the 8th grade and Roger, a cousin, is in Primary. The Wheatleys come from a small settlement in Marion County known as Raywick.

Ronny has been a wrestler on the junior varsity team for two years and a varsity wrestler for three. Because of his strong will and stubbornness, he did very well in his one year on the varsity track team. Ronny has been singing in the Chorus for six years and has played alto and tenor saxophone in the Free Spirit Combo and in the Orchestra.

Ronny says of K.S.B. that "the school has an outstanding music building, an outstanding recreation department and an outstanding wrestling team with an outstanding coach. I think that the coach makes the parts of the team function or, at least, he makes the clock tick."

Ronny's future planes are to attend college at UK or JCC or Louisville or Western. His last years in the cottage have been very enjoyable with the houseparents. Ronny has no farewell remarks--he wants to graduate and move on .

A NEW FACE IN HUNTOON UP

Robert Brands, known as "Chip", is Huntoon Up's new cottage parent. He is from Berkley Heights, New Jersey.

Chip attended college at St. Mary's College in Marion Co., Ky. He also attended Christ the King Seminary in Buffalo, New York.

Chip enjoys such things as skiing, tennis, hiking, junk hunting, reading and meditation.

FOUR STUDENTS WORK OFF-CAMPUS

Four students will be working off-campus a half a day second semester at Goodwill Industries. These students are David Raynes, Billy Wright, Ricky Bramblett and Donnie Hayes. They will be evaluated on their work and tested on six different jobs. These are retail sales, furniture repair, small appliances repair and sales, cleaning clothing, upholstery repair and shipping and receiving.

CLASS NOTES

The senior class will sponsor a Valentines' Dance with the Recreation Staff. The dance will be for handicapped children in Jefferson Co.

The junior and sophomore classes are planning a Gong Show. Auditions will be held on February 23 and 24. The Gong Show will be on February 28. The junior class is taking orders for Current stationery and other items.

The freshman class will sell candy bars which range in price from \$2.00 to 50¢.

MARCH ACTIVITIES

March 9--Swim Meet at Ohio
March 13--Freshman Assembly at 9:30,
"Clown Guild"
March 15--Forensic Competition at Illinois
March 16--Long Weekend
March 22--Swimming Nationals at Seattle
March 23--State Vocal Music Festival

FLYING

I saw a bird today
Getting ready to fly away!
He was going south till next year
He knew that the snow would soon be
here.

I saw him spread his wings and fly
He flew so high he almost reached
the sky.

---Missy Evans

NEW RECREATION DIRECTOR IN DB/MH

Mary Aubry has joined the Deaf-Blind/
Multihandicapped department in the capacity
of Recreation Director. Her office is
in the Recreation Building.

DEAF-BLIND/MULTIHANDICAPPED NEWS

The DB/MH classes attended the clay exhibit at the Touch and See Gallery at the Speed Museum.

They are also learning how to count money and are earning money from Safe-tran, Inc. with Mr. McDowell. They will use the money they earn to learn shopping skills in a store.

They will be learning mobility skills and a new student is learning sign language.

SENIORS INVITE PRISONERS

The senior class sponsored an assembly program for the school in November. Eight inmates and a guard were guests for an all-school assembly which began at 10:30 on Nov. 30. Mr. Johnson, senior class sponsor, and Mike Osborne had contacted Mr. Jim Donahoe who was serving time at a work farm on a section of Lagrange State Penitentiary.

The prisoners first presented a skit on using drugs and a mock drug trial. Then each discussed his crimes and plans

for the future.

The assembly was originally planned to last two hours, but due to the extreme interest of students and staff, the group spoke again after lunch. Mr. Donahoe led a question and answer session which was quite a success. The students and staff came away more informed of life behind bars. It was a different kind of experience for students and staff and all came away with better understandings.

SEVERAL STAFF MEMBERS DEPART

The winter months have seen the departure of four staff members from KSB.

Gail Tobias, elementary aide in Mrs. McMillin's class, began a newspaper job with a local paper. Gail had worked here for a year and a half.

Barbara Ellis, special services social worker, left KSB to pursue a music degree at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here in Louisville. Barb had faithfully worked over five years and had sponsored Girl Scouts. She will be missed!

Although he was employed only a short while, Mike Brunderman was well-liked and

respected as a cottage parent in Huntoon Down. He is now selling kitchen equipment

Mrs. Kolene Woodruff, Readiness aide in Miss Niles' class, will be leaving KSB for Columbus, Ohio, when her husband is transferred. She has enjoyed working here and thinks this is a good place to make friends.

Best wishes are extended to each of these departing staff members.

WINTER

Winter is fun for everyone.

I like to go and play in the snow.

Look, what a sight!

The snow so white!

When school is open and winter's here,

All the children shout, "oh, dear!"

---Ricky Moore

IT'S COMING! IT'S COMING!

Really, it is coming--Spring Break, that is. Classes end at noon on April 6 and resume on April 16. Classes will resume on April 17.

It's coming--soon!

SECOND QUARTER HONOR ROLL
1978-79

Shirley Bell
Keith Blair
Barbie Brady
Michelle Broaddus
Tina Carr
Barbara Collier
Deborah Davis
Jerry Ettinger
Missy Evans
Bill Gill
Kim Holmes
Bobby Holt
Ame Kerr
Barbara Martin
Tina Mitchell
Lisa Moore
Ricky Moore
Mike Osborne
Kevin Pearl
Vurah Runyon
Mike Shannon
Tina Shelton
Karen Stacy
Jeff Wheatley

SEMESTER HONOR ROLL
1978-79

Shirley Bell
Keith Blain
Michelle Broaddus
Barbara Collier
Deborah Davis
Laura Davis
Jerry Ettinger
Missy Evans
Kim Holmes
Ame Kerr
Lisa Moore
Kevin Pearl
Mike Shannon
Tina Shelton
Tina Mitchell

V.F.W. ESSAY WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The 1979 winner of the V.F.W. patriotisr essay contest is Austin Prater. Cheri Hunley was named second place winner and Ronny Wheatley was named third place winner. Austin is a ninth grader from Breathitt Co. Cheri is a junior from Knox Co. and Ronny is a senior from Marion Co.

I AM PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN

Austin Prater

An American is someone who is a native of the United States of America. But an American is also a person who is loyal, faithful and proud of his country. I am very proud to be an American because I think that any person who is lucky enough to live in America should be proud of his nation.

It was once said that the United States of America is supposedly the strongest nation in the world. I love my country and I am proud to be a part of it.

The United States is where I live and I am lucky to be an American and I think that everyone else should be proud too. An American should be proud of the way his country is run. I think that whoever thought of the slogan for the Kentucky flag had to be loyal and faithful to "Old Glory." This saying is also the truth. The saying reads like this-- "United We Stand, Divided We Fall."

It means that together as a group we are invincible, but if we are separated, we could be overtaken by foreign countries.

Some people just don't realize how true this saying is, because if we don't

stick together, this country could easily be taken over. That's why America is such a powerful nation.

I think that everyone should know how important it is to be proud and stand up and say America is my home and I am proud of it.

But once I heard a story where a man made a very big mistake in his life. This man was on trial for treason and he was quoted as saying, "I never want to see or hear of the United States ever again." Since he felt so strongly about it, the judge decided that should be his sentence - to be sent out to sea on a ship and never to see or hear anything about the United States again. Before he died, he knew that what he had said about his home was a very big mistake. He regretted those words when the sentence was carried out. It was his wish to be buried at sea when he died. This is only one example of how you can say things that you really don't mean about your country.

This is why you should be proud to be born in America and I, for one, am proud of my country.

I AM PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN

Cheri Hunley

I would not be ashamed to let anyone know that I am a full-blooded American. America is a large and wonderful country to be a part of. It has so many things going for it, and it always has had many wonderful things going for it.

One of the biggest things that our country had going for it was that we had some brave and courageous men standing up for our country during the Revolution. America also has a lot of people ready and willing to fight for their country. That is one thing I can say also about my fellow citizens, that most of them are willing and have been willing to give up their lives for us. We all should be thankful to all of those who have fought for our country and have served their country here and haven't let it down. America also has its beauty. It is not just in one place or in one thing, but it is everywhere and in everything, even the people.

Let's not forget the most important thing of all--freedom that our country gives us. It gives us the right to say and do and write what we want to without

feeling we could be in a lot of danger because we said or wrote what we thought.

We can worship God without hiding and being scared and that also is one thing to be proud of--at least I think so.

So let's show everyone how proud we are we have a country that protects us and that stands behind us when we are in the right.

Let's do all we possibly can for our nation and give it our support and prove our love and thanks for such a wonderful country.

I AM PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN

Ronny Wheatley

The most powerful and most advanced country in the world is a country just over two hundred years old. It fought hard to win its freedom from England and won. Its leaders have since written one of the most flexible constitutions ever.

Brave frontiersmen ventured far into the wilderness building and settling villages and towns. There were many intelligent inventors who invented adequate heating stoves, electricity, automobiles, steam engines which powered great tools

for manufacturing mass quantities of food at a lower price to the consumer.

But the greatest thing about this country is freedom. This country is called the United States of America, a country who in two hundred years has become the most powerful, but peaceful in the world. It really makes me feel great inside to know that I'm an American. I'm one of the few who were fortunate enough to have been born in such a great country, a nation that has liberty and justice for all.

VALENTINE'S CELEBRATION

On Wednesday, February 14, the senior class, the Recreation Council and the Louisville-Jefferson County Metropolitan Parks Association sponsored a dance for K.S.B. students and handicapped people in Jefferson and Oldham counties.

A live band played and refreshments were served. Door prizes were given and awards for best dance. Everybody had a terrific time and the party was a big success.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Donald Stivers

Don Stivers is a senior from Woodford County and is graduating after attending K.S.B. for eight years. Out of these eight years, this has been his best in athletics. He has participated in track and wrestling. In the Ohio Invitational he placed first and also won first in the Indiana Invitational. Wrestling at 112 lbs., he was the first place winner in the N.C.A.S.V.H. Tournament and in the Central Jefferson Co. Regional. He won two of four matches in the State Tourney.

Don enjoys hunting, fishing and building models. He plans to go into interior decoration and construction after his graduation.

"I think this school has helped me to accept the big world out there," is Donny's opinion of what K.S.B. has done for him.

BEHIND THE SCENES

The Colonel begins a new feature in this issue, "Behind the Scenes." Many people perform a variety of jobs to keep K.S.B. running smoothly. This issue

spotlights Dan Begley and Mr. and Mrs. Oaks.

Dan Begley, the head maintenance man at K.S.B., is in his tenth year of work here. Dan is from Hyden in the eastern part of Kentucky. He has a wife and two children, a daughter and a son. Kim is 12 years old and Danny is two years old.

Hunting and fishing are some of Dan's hobbies.

The Colonel salutes Dan Begley, one of the special people behind the scenes at K.S.B.

Cloyd Thomas Oaks has been Director of Campus Life for the last six years. His job is to supply houseparents, recreation staff and transportation for long weekends.

Mr. Oaks was raised in Stanford, Ky., which is a small farming town in the Bluegrass. Some of his hobbies are camping, fishing and hunting. He also enjoys sports when time permits. He has been one of the Boy Scout leaders.

The Oaks family moved on campus in May of 1964. Mrs. Oaks has worked in Patton since that time. They have made it their home until 1976. During this time, they have seen a son and daughter grow into adults. Their daughter has three grandchildren. During the

time they have worked here, they have seen students graduate and return. This is a good feeling to them.

The Colonel appreciates the work of the Oaks over the last fifteen years.

VALENTINE SYMBOLS

The ornaments that decorate valentines are symbols of love and friendship.

Ornaments for early valentines were made by hand. Each had a special meaning. A fan meant open up your heart. A ribbon meant you are tied up. It could also mean you are my girl. Lace is the same word as net in Latin, so a lace ruffle on a valentine meant you have caught my heart in a net.

At parties, romantic symbols were sometimes hidden in a cake. Each guest got a slice and, if he was lucky, a symbol. The symbol told his fortune. Often the symbols were put instead in gift packages.

Rice meant a wedding. A ring meant a wedding or engagement. A coin meant the person would marry someone wealthy.

If a boy got a red mitten, it meant that his girl did not like him.

Hearts are the most common romantic

symbol. Candy, cookies and even cakes are made in heart shapes for Valentine parties. Little hearts appear on valentines themselves, as do pictures of flowers, butterflies, birds and baby lambs. These are symbols of spring. Two hands clasped together means love; rings and knots tie lovers together.

Angels and children bless a happy marriage. Harps and lyres play romantic music. One of the most famous symbols is Cupid with his bow and arrow.

But any way you look at it, they all stand for love.

THREE NEW STUDENTS ENROLL

Dwayne Barnett is a new student from Breathitt Co. He is in the elementary classes and lives in Huntoon Up.

Another new elementary student is Margaret Villano. She is a day student from Jefferson Co.

From Warren Co., Kristie Downey is a new deaf-blind student and lives in the Allen Annex.

BARBARA COLLIER--QUEEN CANDIDATE

K.S.B.'s 1979 N.C.A.S.V.H. queen candidate was Barbara Collier, a fifteen-year-old eighth grader from Westport, Ky.

She has been on the cheerleading squad for three years. Each school in the N.C. selects one of its cheerleaders to compete in the contest. The cheerleaders are judged on poise, appearance, execution, rhythm and enthusiasm in an optional cheer. Then each contestant answers an impromptu question and meets with the advisors.

Dawn Chambers of Illinois was this year's N.C.A.S.V.H. queen. Next year the contest will be for the most outstanding cheerleader and the competition will be in a new format.

Barbara felt that it was a nice experience to compete and she looks forward to next year.

TOP TEN HITS FOR FEBRUARY

1. "Do You Think I'm Sexy"--Rod Stewart
2. "Too Much Heaven"--BeeGees

3. "Le Freak"--Chic
4. "Y.M.C.A."--Village People
5. "Soul Man"--Blues Brothers
6. "Hold the Line"--Toto
7. "Lot of Love"--Nicolet Larson
8. "Get Down"--Jean Chandler
9. "Fire"--Pointer Sisters
10. "A Little More Love"--Olivia Newton-John

NEW AIDE IN ELEMENTARY

Caroline Whaley, a native of Louisville and graduate of U of L, is Mrs. McMillan's new aide. Her hobbies are tennis, racquetball, needlepoint and jogging. She plans to attend Indiana University and major in Therapeutic Recreation. She is glad to be working here and we wish her the best.

K.S.B. vs. DURRETT

Nine wrestlers won their matches when K.S.B. topped Durrett 46-15. The match was a good warm-up for the Regional Tournament.

'CATS TAKE SECOND AT INDIANA

K.S.B.'s wrestlers took a hard-earned second place in an eight-way tournament held at the Indiana School for the Blind on January 12-13. Four public schools--Baptist, Clinton Central, Hamilton Southeast and Park Tudor--and four schools for the visually handicapped--Arkansas, Indiana, Kentucky and Michigan--competed.

All wrestlers performed well. Terry Ward and Donald Stivers took first places. Second place winners were Ronny Wheatley and Mike Osborne. Third place winners were Bill Gill, David Raynes and Calvin Ard. Ronnie Deaton and Clinton Applegate took fourth places.

K.S.B. MEETS SENECA AND WINS

In a dual meet between the K.S.B. Wildcats and the Seneca Redskins, the Wildcats pulled another win with a final score of 31-28.

Winners were Terry Ward, Don Stivers, Buster Mayne, David Raynes, Mike Osborne and Calvin Ard.

STUDENTS PREPARE FOR FORENSICS

The forensic competition will be held at the Illinois School for the Visually Handicapped in Jacksonville, Ill., on March 15-16.

Students participating this year are:

Ronnie Deaton--four minute speech

Bill Gill--poetry interpretation

Cheri Hunley--impromptu speech

Leslie Riggs--prose interpretation

Joe Wight, cottage parent at Patten Cottage, is this year's sponsor. Students have not competed in forensics since 1977.

1977-78 YEARBOOKS ARRIVE

Students and staff received copies of the 1977-78 yearbook recently. The book is a collection of class photographs and activities and is available in the Classroom Office for \$3.00.

WRITING CONTEST APPROACHES

Students are beginning to write essays, poems and short stories as spring approaches. "The Cat's Paw" contest is underway!

WELCOME TO THE 23rd ANNUAL N.C.A.S.V.H.

On January 25-28, the Missouri School for the Blind hosted the largest wrestling tournament and cheerleading competition of the year. The teams--ten in all--arrived in St. Louis in snowy weather and sub-freezing temperatures, but an enthusiastic Thursday night pep rally warmed all competitors for action.

On Friday at 7:00 a.m. the wrestlers weighed in and proceeded to eat and eat. The results of the first rounds showed the K.S.B. Wildcats well in the lead.

On Saturday the cheerleaders assembled in the St. Mary Magdalene Gym and each squad presented its cheers. The teams were judged on execution of cheer, spirit, coordination as individuals and team.

Wrestling resumed Saturday afternoon and the consolation wrestlebacks proved successful for K.S.B.

The K.S.B. cheerleaders were selected as the overall winners. The cheerleaders this year are Faye Cain, Jenny Montgomery, Barbara Collier, Darlene Runyon, Maria Davis, Judy Keller and Karen Stacy. Mrs. Shirley Mills coaches the girls.

In the final N.C. queen and court competition, Barbara Collier was named third runner-up.

Eight of eleven Wildcat wrestlers reached the finals on Saturday night. The results were as follows:

Weight	Name	Place	Points	Year
88 lbs.	Terry Ward	1st	9-2	18
98 lbs.	Bill Gill	2nd	5-4	14
105 lbs.	Dwayne Moore	1st	7-6	22
112 lbs.	Donald Stivers	1st	Dec.	22
119 lbs.	Ronny Wheatley	3rd	14-6	14
126 lbs.	Clint Applegate	1st	5-3	20
132 lbs.	Leslie Riggs	1st	13-11	24
138 lbs.	David Raynes	3rd	F. 1:32	9
145 lbs.	Ronny Deaton	4th	F. :42	7
167 lbs.	Mike Osborne	1st	F. 5:35	24
Hvyweight	Calvin Ard	2nd	10-7	16

The Wildcats left St. Louis victorious with a record-breaking score of 190 1/2, breaking the old record of 142 1/2 held by Indiana. K.S.B. carried home three team trophies and first place overall.

Special note is made that K.S.B. captured first place in both track and wrestling N.C.A.S.V.H. tournaments in the same year. This is a first in the school's history. Recognition is given to Coach Mann and assistant Rushing !

ST. X. MATCHES K.S.B. POWER

On January 23 the Wildcats took on St. X in a dual competition at K.S.B. The match got off to a good start with K.S.B. winning all five junior varsity matches, but St. X. took and held the lead with a final team score of 46-10. Don Stivers and Mike Osborne put another notch in their belt of wins.

TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

Pleasure Ridge Park High School hosted the first Jefferson Co. Tournament of Champions on January 19-20. Twenty schools participated in the competitions.

Wrestling at 112 lbs., Don Stivers placed third and was the only K.S.B. wrestler to place.

K.S.B. PULLS DOWN FOURTH IN REGION

The Central Region Wrestling Tournament of Jefferson County was held at Trinity High School on February 2 and 3. The top four teams to emerge were Trinity in first place, St. X in second, Moore in third and K.S.B. in fourth.

K.S.B. entered eight wrestlers in the tournament and four walked away wearing handsome medallions. Donald Stivers took first in the 112 lbs. class. At 167 lbs. Mike Osborne took first. Third places were won by Bill Gill at 98 lbs. and Buster Mayne at 119 lbs. The most outstanding wrestling award went to Mike Osborne.

The first and second place winners of each class advance to the State Wrestling Tournament to be held on February 9 and 10 at Atherton High School in Louisville.

K.S.B.'s Coach Mann is in charge of the Central Region Tournament.

OSBORNE AND STIVERS GO TO STATE

After achieving first places in the Regional Wrestling Tournament, Mike

Osborne at 167 lbs. and Donald Stivers at 112 lbs. ventured on up the ladder to the Kentucky State Tournament held at Atherton High School. The largest tournament of its kind in the state was held on February 9-10. Thirty-three schools represented their counties. Osborne and Stivers represented their school well and did an outstanding job.

SWIM TEAM DIVES INTO ACTION

Members of this year's swim team are Shirley Bell, Jenny Montgomery, Crystal Rayborn and Vurah Runyon for the girls' team.

Boys out for the boys' team include Jeff Wheatley, Bill Gill, Ricky Beavers, Clyde Coulter, David Greer, David Raynes, Dwayne Moore, Ricky Moore, Chuck Runyon, John Hoskins, Russell Mullins, Tim Jones and Mike Breeden.

Swim coaches are Bill and Linda Smith. Meets will be held at Tennessee, Ky. School for the Deaf, Ohio, Seattle for the Nationals and the Invitational at K.S.B.

Good luck, swimmers!
